# PROCEEDINGS OF THE LAFAYETTE PUBLIC UTILITIES AUTHORITY OF THE CITY-PARISH OF LAFAYETTE, STATE OF LOUISIANA, TAKEN AT A REGULAR MEETING OF JANUARY 7, 2003.

### **ATTENDANCE**

COUNCIL: Jerry Trumps, (Chair), Chris Williams, Louis C. Benjamin, Jr., Marc Mouton, Rob

Stevenson

ABSENT: None

**COUNCIL STAFF:** Norma Dugas (Clerk), Veronica Williams, (Assistant Clerk), Anne Patin (Senior Administrative Assistant)

**ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF:** Terry Huval (Utilities Director)

## **COMMENCEMENT**

(TAPE 1)(SIDE A)(000) AGENDA ITEM NO. 1: Call to order.

Chair Jerry Trumps called the Lafayette Public Utilities Authority Meeting of January 7, 2003, to order.

#### **ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

(TAPE 1)(SIDE A)(002) <u>AGENDA ITEM NO. 2</u> Election of Chair and Vice-Chair in accordance with Section 4-07 of the Lafayette City-Parish Consolidated Government Home Rule Charter and Resolution No. R-013-98(LPUA), Section 1.

A motion was offered by Mouton, seconded by Benjamin, to elect Councilmember Rob Stevenson to the position of LPUA Chair, and the vote was as follows:

YEAS: Williams, Benjamin, Trumps, Mouton, Stevenson

NAYS: None ABSENT: None RECUSED: None

Motion was unanimously approved.

A motion was offered by Trumps, seconded by Benjamin, to elect Councilmember Marc Mouton to the position of LPUA Vice Chair, and the vote was as follows:

YEAS: Williams, Benjamin, Trumps, Mouton, Stevenson

NAYS: None ABSENT: None RECUSED: None

Motion was unanimously approved.

The new Chair presented a plaque to Councilmember Trumps in gratitude for his service as the 2002 LPUA Chair.

#### EXECUTIVE/PRESIDENT'S REPORT

(TAPE 1)(SIDE A)(042) AGENDA ITEM NO. 3: President's Report.

#### a. Bids recommended for award:

ITEM	VENDOR	LUS ITEM	COUNCIL APPROVAL NEEDED	LOW OR RESPONSIVE BID	ESTIMATED CONTRACT AMOUNT
Replace GOAB	WESCO	Y	Y	Low	\$ 13,472.00
Switch 1482	Distribution				
Electric Stock	WESCO	Y	Y	Low	\$603,091.16
Material	Distribution				
	Priester Supply				\$273,939.30
	Stuart C. Irby				\$396,005.29
	Techline				\$156,950.75

A motion was offered by Trumps, seconded by Benjamin, to approve the bids recommended for award, and the vote was as follows:

YEAS: Williams, Benjamin, Trumps, Mouton, Stevenson

NAYS: None ABSENT: None RECUSED: None

Motion was unanimously approved.

At this point, Benjamin asked if the LUS Director could tell him the difference in clothing subsidy for LUS employees. Huval stated he would look into it and report to Benjamin.

(TAPE 1)(SIDE A)(083) AGENDA ITEM NO. 4: LUS Director's Report.

No report was given by the Director, however; Stevenson explained that his short term goal for 2003 is the retention of employees and his long term goal is future generation needs. He then offered an open door policy to the LUS Director.

#### ORDINANCES FOR FINAL ADOPTION

(TAPE 1)(SIDE A)(090) <u>AGENDA ITEM NO. 5</u>: <u>O-044-2002(LPUA)</u> An ordinance of the Lafayette Public Utilities Authority declaring the Gilman Substation Electric Distribution Feeder ties to 7051, 7053, 7550, 7551, and 7552 project a public necessity and authorizing the acquisition of property and the necessary rights-of-way and other property rights requisite to the construction of said project, either on an amicable basis or through the expropriation process, if necessary, motion to adopt by Benjamin, seconded by Williams, and the vote was as follows:

YEAS: Williams, Benjamin, Trumps, Mouton, Stevenson

NAYS: None ABSENT: None RECUSED: None

Motion was unanimously approved.

Huval explained this project has been needed for some time in order to meet the reliability and growth needs of that area. The property has been obtained and the design is being done. The rights of way need to be secured and in the process of securing them, if resistance is shown, LUS will have the mechanism to prevent the customers from paying higher prices. The line routes that are necessary to make the most beneficial use of this substation may not be contiguous with the existing rights of way in place.

Huval stated that the property has been purchased and a fence has been placed around it. The substation should be completed by the end of 2003 and running by the beginning of 2004. The aesthetics on the site triangle need to be adjusted. Williams requested that the Clerk set up a meeting with Huval, Tramel, Benjamin and himself to discuss this issue.

Upon questioning by Benjamin, Huval explained that this project will accomplish two things: 1) will be able to meet the growth of that area and more transformation can be added at a later date; and 2) it will increase the reliability of service in that area. There is a substation off of Willow that has the capacity to serve Louisiana Ave. to the river.

## INTRODUCTORY ORDINANCES

(TAPE 1)(SIDE A)(284) <u>AGENDA ITEM NO. 6 - 11</u>: A motion was offered by Mouton, seconded by Trumps, to approve the following ordinances for introduction, in-globo, and the vote was as follows:

YEAS: Williams, Benjamin, Trumps, Mouton, Stevenson

NAYS: None ABSENT: None RECUSED: None

Motion was unanimously approved.

- 6. <u>O-001-2003(LPUA)</u> An ordinance of the Lafayette Public Utilities Authority providing for the abandonment of an electrical easement on Lot 4 of The Gardens Subdivision, having a municipal address of 130 West Bayou Parkway.
- 7. <u>O-002-2003(LPUA)</u> An ordinance of the Lafayette Public Utilities Authority providing for the abandonment of a portion of a utility easement on Lot 4 of Eureka Plantation, having a municipal address of 100 Shadows Drive.
- 8. <u>O-003-2003(LPUA)</u> An ordinance of the Lafayette Public Utilities Authority (LPUA) accepting the bid of Wastewater Services, Inc. of Oakdale, Louisiana, for the construction

of sewerage improvements along certain streets, or such part thereof as may be determined upon, within the corporate limits of Consolidated Sewerage District of the City of Lafayette, State of Louisiana, and authorizing the Lafayette City-Parish President to execute a contract on behalf of said District for such work (Veterinarian Road/Young Oak Drive area).

- 9. O-004-2003(LPUA) An ordinance of the Lafayette Public Utilities Authority (LPUA) accepting the bid of Stelly Construction, Inc. of Arnaudville, Louisiana, for the construction of sewerage improvements along certain streets, or such part thereof as may be determined upon, within the corporate limits of Consolidated Sewerage District of the City of Lafayette, State of Louisiana, and authorizing the Lafayette City-Parish President to execute a contract on behalf of said District for such work (Pinhook Road E. Verot School Road to LA 89 area.
- 10. O-005-2003(LPUA) An ordinance of the Lafayette Public Utilities Authority (LPUA) accepting the bid of K.C.S. Construction Co., Inc. of Alexandria, Louisiana, for the construction of sewerage improvements along certain streets, or such part thereof as may be determined upon, within the corporate limits of Consolidated Sewerage District of the City of Lafayette, State of Louisiana, and authorizing the Lafayette City-Parish President to execute a contract on behalf of said District for such work (Failla Road area).
- 11. O-006-2003(LPUA) An ordinance of the Lafayette Public Utilities Authority (LPUA) amending the FY 02/03 Operating Budget of the Lafayette City-Parish Consolidated Government by transferring \$175,000 from the Pinhook Road Water Relocation Project and \$75,000 from the Pinhook Road Sewer Force Main Relocation Project to the Consolidated Sewer District Project X within the Department of Utilities for additional funding needed.

#### **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

(TAPE 1)(SIDE A)(329) AGENDA ITEM NO. 12: Comments from the public on other matters.

No comments were made.

#### **ADJOURN**

(TAPE 1)(SIDE A)(300) There being no further business to come before the Council, Chair Stevenson declared the Regular Lafayette Public Utilities Authority meeting adjourned.

NORMA A. DUGAS CLERK OF THE COUNCIL